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PROGRAMME BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM 1994-1995

Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. INTRODUCTION

1. At its 3rd meeting, on 22 September 1995, the General Assembly, on the recommendation of the General Committee, decided to include in the agenda of its fiftieth session the item entitled "Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995" and to allocate it to the Fifth Committee.

2. The Committee considered this item at its 44th and 45th meetings, on 21 and 22 December. The observations of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions were presented orally by its Chairman. Observations and comments made in the course of the Fifth Committee's consideration of the item are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/50/SR.44 and 45).

3. At its 45th meeting, the Committee decided to recommend that the General Assembly approve the revised budget appropriations for the biennium 1994-1995 in the amounts shown in table 1 of the report of the Secretary-General (A/C.5/50/21) as amended by the Advisory Committee and the revised income estimates for the biennium 1994-1995, as shown in paragraph 21 of the report of the Secretary-General (see para. 4).

II. RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

4. The Fifth Committee recommends to the General Assembly the adoption of the following draft resolution:

Programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995

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Final budget appropriation for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1994-1995:

1. The amount of 2,608,274,400 United States dollars appropriated by its resolution 49/220 A of 23 December 1994 shall be adjusted by 24,160,900 dollars as follows:

	Section	Amount approved by resolution 49/220 A	Increase or (decrease)	Revised appropriation
		(United States dollars)		
PART I.	Overall policy-making direction and coordination			
	1. Overall policy-making direction and coordination	37 218 500	766 600	37 985 100
	TOTAL, PART I	37 218 500	766 600	37 985 100
PART II.	Political affairs			
	3. Political affairs	66 116 200	(1 671 700)	64 444 500
	4. Peace-keeping operations and special missions	132 221 900	23 584 900	155 806 800
	TOTAL, PART II	198 338 100	21 913 900	220 251 300
PART III.	International justice and law			
	5. International Court of Justice	19 316 000	2 041 600	21 357 600
	7. Legal activities	31 432 500	(781 900)	30 650 600
	TOTAL, PART III	50 748 500	1 259 700	52 008 200
PART IV.	International cooperation for development			
	8. Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development	51 556 600	(3 586 400)	47 970 200
	9. Department for Economic and Social Information and Policy Analysis	46 225 900	1 016 500	47 242 400
	10. Department for Development Support Management Services	25 961 400	2 657 100	28 618 500
	11A. United Nations Conference on Trade and Development	113 579 800	665 200	114 245 000

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		(United States dollars)		
	11B. International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT	20 942 300	(107 800)	20 834 500
	12A. United Nations Environment Programme	14 277 900	(2 417 100)	11 860 800
	12B. United Nations Centre for Human Settlements (Habitat)	15 176 500	(2 122 100)	13 054 400
	13. Crime control	4 839 700	(233 400)	4 606 300
	14. International drug control	14 693 900	346 200	15 040 100
	TOTAL, PART IV	307 254 000	(3 781 800)	303 472 200
PART V.	Regional cooperation for development			
	15. Economic Commission for Africa	71 657 600	(2 485 600)	69 172 000
	16. Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific	61 278 400	(4 309 300)	56 969 100
	17. Economic Commission for Europe	47 379 300	234 900	47 614 200
	18. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean	78 979 400	(5 075 300)	73 904 100
	19. Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia	35 213 100	(5 041 500)	30 171 600
	20. Regular programme of technical cooperation	44 814 700	(6 413 800)	38 400 900
	TOTAL, PART V	339 322 500	(23 090 600)	316 231 900
PART VI.	Human rights and humanitarian affairs			
	21. Human rights	43 708 200	(3 399 500)	40 308 700
	22A. Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees	48 572 700	2 487 300	51 060 000
	22B. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East	21 350 300	750 600	22 100 900
	23. Department of Humanitarian Affairs	19 034 700	(1 118 200)	17 916 500
	TOTAL, PART VI	132 665 900	1 279 800	131 386 100
PART VII.	Public information			
	24. Public information	131 442 600	2 116 400	133 559 000
	TOTAL, PART VII	131 442 600	2 116 400	133 559 000
PART VIII.	Common support services			
	25. Administration and management	896 820 800	23 547 700	920 368 500
	TOTAL, PART VIII	896 820 800	23 547 700	920 368 500

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			(United States dollars)		
PART IX.	Jointly financed activities and special expenses				
	26.	Jointly financed administrative activities	27 221 200	(1 052 700)	26 168 500
	27.	Special expenses	32 795 100	273 900	33 069 000
		TOTAL, PART IX	60 016 300	(778 800)	59 237 500
PART X.	Staff assessment				
	28.	Staff assessment	357 798 100	5 775 900	363 574 000
		TOTAL, PART X	357 798 100	5 775 900	363 574 000
PART XI.	Capital expenditures				
	29.	Technological innovations	25 398 300	101 200	25 499 500
	30.	Construction, alteration, improvement and major maintenance	58 447 100	(1 530 400)	56 916 700
		TOTAL, PART XI	83 845 400	(1 429 200)	82 416 200
PART XII.	Internal oversight services				
	31.	Office of Internal Oversight Services	12 027 700	(716 800)	11 310 900
		TOTAL, PART XII	12 027 700	(716 800)	11 310 900
PART XIII.	International Seabed Authority				
	32.	International Seabed Authority	776 000	(141 600)	634 400
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		GRAND TOTAL	2 608 274 400	24 160 900	2 632 435 300

2. The Secretary-General shall be authorized to transfer credits between sections of the budget, with the concurrence of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;

3. The total net provision made under the various sections of the budget for contractual printing shall be administered as a unit under the direction of the United Nations Publications Board;

4. The appropriations for the regular programme of technical cooperation under section 12, part IV, shall be administered in accordance with the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, except that the definition of obligations and the period of validity of obligations shall be subject to the following procedures:

(a) Obligations for personal services established in the current biennium shall be valid for the succeeding biennium, provided that appointments of the experts concerned are effected by the end of the current biennium and that the total period to be covered by obligations established for these purposes against the resources of the current biennium does not exceed 24 months;

(b) Obligations established in the current biennium for fellowships shall remain valid until liquidated, provided that the fellow has been nominated by the requesting Government and accepted by the Organization and that a formal letter of award has been issued to the requesting Government;

(c) Obligations in respect of contracts or purchase orders for supplies or equipment recorded in the current biennium will remain valid until payment is effected to the contractor or vendor, unless they are cancelled;

5. In addition to the appropriations approved under paragraph 1 above, an amount of 51,000 dollars is appropriated for each year of the biennium 1994-1995 from the accumulated income of the Library Endowment Fund for the purchase of books, periodicals, maps and library equipment and for such other expenses of the Library at the Palais des Nations as are in accordance with the objects and provisions of the endowment.

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Final income estimates for the biennium 1994-1995

The General Assembly

Resolves that for the biennium 1994-1995:

1. The estimates of income of 432,080,500 United States dollars approved by its resolution 49/220 B of 23 December 1994 shall be increased by 4,786,100 dollars as follows:

	Amount approved by resolution 48/231 B	Increase or (decrease)	Revised estimates
Income section	(United States dollars)		
1. Income from staff assessment	363 216 700	5 732 900	368 949 600
TOTAL, INCOME SECTION 1	363 216 700	5 732 900	368 949 600
2. General income	60 929 800	8 580 200	69 510 000
3. Services to the public	7 934 000	(9 527 000)	(1 593 000)
TOTAL, INCOME SECTIONS 2 AND 3	68 863 800	(946 800)	67 917 000
GRAND TOTAL	432 080 500	4 786 100	436 866 600

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2. The income from staff assessment shall be credited to the Tax Equalization Fund in accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955;

3. Direct expenses of the United Nations Postal Administration, services to visitors, catering and related services, garage operations, television services and the sale of publications, not provided for under the budget appropriations, shall be charged against the income derived from those activities.